

**Remarks**

Claims 1-17 are amended to eliminate reference numbers and multiple dependencies.  
An Abstract of the Disclosure is also submitted.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "E. R. Witt", written in a cursive style.

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